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Wonderful Worlds of Star, BE KIND



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***From right to left: Jeannette Wallace, MWGM, Bernie Byrne, MWGP and Joanne Byrne, RWAGM***



# Most Worthy Grand Matron's Message



## *To Our Membership—*

**H**appy New Year! I write this as the old year dies . . . and I think about what 2023 will bring. **“The Greatest work of art is a blank page and a pencil as there are infinite possibilities.”** (Adam McCallion). 2023 is a blank page in the history of our beautiful Order, waiting for us all to write its story.

As Most Worthy Grand Matron, I have urged us all to **BE KIND**, no matter who we are, no matter what we do. It is the most important thing we can do to make the world a better place. **“Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.”** (Leo Buscaglia).

And speaking of turning around, **The Wonderful Worlds of Star** year is rapidly approaching the end of its revolution. We have been blessed to spend time with the membership and to travel throughout these Wonderful Worlds of Star to share in the Fraternity and Fellowship and promote the Philanthropy that is the hallmark of our Order. I have been fortunate to have been elevated to the position of Most Worthy Grand Matron and will soon return to the ranks. I will get to perform one last bit of magic—to take off my crown, and hand over the emblem of authority to Sister Joanne and

“Bruno”, her choice as Most Worthy Grand Patron. I am excited, “imagining” what they will do to further move our Order forward.

We are making plans for our Grand Session May 22, 23, and 24 at Caesar's in Atlantic City. The information about the many opportunities for us to gather together are included in this issue. Please remember that, to properly plan and to hold down costs as much as possible, we need members to make their reservations with the NJ OES reservation code, and to be mindful of reservation deadlines. We have changed the schedule a bit, and are especially hoping to see you all at the Membership Dinner on **Wednesday, May 24th, at 4:30pm**, with the Installation of Sister Joanne V. Byrne, her MWGP, and her slate of officers following.

It has been my privilege to serve this Order and its members. I have been blessed with Bernie, my Most Worthy Grand Patron, Joanne, RWAGM, the entire Elected Line, and the staff of Officers serving with us this year. I can't explain just how much you all mean to me. Thank you. Thank you all so much. Now, to paraphrase the final line of this year's theme song. . . **Now let the service continue!!!** ❖

*In Star Love,  
Jeannette Wallace  
Most Worthy Grand Matron, 2022-2023*





# Most Worthy Grand Patron's Message



*Dear Sisters and Brothers,*

**W**hat a spectacular time I have had serving this year as your Most Worthy Grand Patron. The friendships I have made over this last year have been really special. I wish to thank all of the members of our beloved order who have extended great hospitality over the year.

As we look to the upcoming new fraternal year, we must look to change. Just because something has not been done before, doesn't mean we cannot try new things. We must continue to strive to keep our order fresh and thereby attracting and keeping new members. Change is not a bad thing.

As I mentioned in my installation address, those in the north, need to review what is happening in the southern part of the state. In my travels, I have found, the local lodges seem to

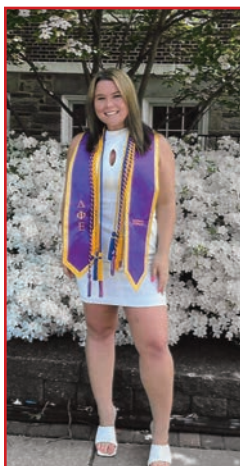
strongly support our chapters. We need to remind the brethren; Eastern Star is co-laborers with them. Offer the lodges to cook a dinner. Maybe assist with the summer projects.

I want to thank Sister Norma Hines for the presentation she put together for the Master Masons night. My intention was to take this to the local lodges to educate my brethren on what our order is all about. While time has not permitted me this year, I intend to still do this as time permits.

Thank you all for the courtesies extended to me this year. I will always cherish the memories from this year. Always remember, growing old is mandatory, but growing up is optional. ❖

*Fraternally,  
Bernie Byrne  
Most Worthy Grand Patron, 2022-2023*

## Thank You Letter



Dear Mrs. Van Houten and Mrs. Brown and all of the truly special members of Eastern Star. Thank you so much for not only helping me financially through the Eastern Star Charity, but by giving me the confidence of graduating Rowan University Summa Cum Laude!!

Eastern Star holds such a special place for my Aunt, Nancy Rydholm Herbert, as her fondest childhood memory was being a "Rainbow Girl". Eastern Star instills the idea of "giving back" and I continue to give back at my new position at NBC Universal as well as helping my cousin with down syndrome by playing games, reading books and doing makeovers Supporting each other in a way that makes us lift one another "up" makes me think of Eastern Star and what your Charity has done for this girl of a single-mom who had to deal with "hard" life lessons at an early age.

Thank you again, for allowing me to benefit from your generous scholarship, and please let me know what I can do for the Eastern Star.

Much love,  
Madison Rydholm  
Rowan, 2022  
Eastern Star Recipient, 2018-2022

Respectfully submitted,  
Dale Van Houten, Scholarship Committee  
Eastern Star Charity Foundation of New Jersey



# Greetings From the Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron



## *Greetings from the Grand West!*

**H**appy 2023! I find it hard to believe that in a few short months, I will be stepping into the Grand East. This is such an exciting time of year, with Valentines being read and Rose Pinning taking place. But let's take one step at a time. It has been and continues to be an honor for me to serve Our Order as your Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron. Sister Jeannette, our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Bernie, our Most Worthy Grand Patron have served Our Order this year with grace, humor, and kindness. As we have traveled this year through the Wonderful Worlds of Star, we have seen more and more of our Sisters and Brothers coming out and enjoying the fun and fellowship that Eastern Star has to offer. I hope to be able to continue this positive momentum in the coming year.

I know that many of our Chapters are struggling for membership. We need to take a two-prong approach. First, invite one friend to come to a fun event and to open installation. I'm pretty sure we all know someone who could benefit from Eastern Star and from whom Eastern Star could benefit. Second, call that member who hasn't been out in a while. Find out why they

have not been coming. Offer a ride. Just stop by for a visit and let them know they are missed.

I want to leave you with a thought: When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, do you just throw it away? Of course not, you change the batteries. When a person messes up or finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside? Of course not, you help them change their batteries.

Some need AA . . . Attention and affection.

Some need AAA . . . Attention, affection, and acceptance.

Some need C . . . Compassion.

Some need D . . . Direction.

And if they still don't seem to shine . . . simply sit with them quietly and share your light. Sisters and Brothers, share your light, your smiles, and your kindness with everyone as we travel through the Wonderful Worlds of Star. ❖

*In Star Love and Friendship,*

*Joanne Byrne*

*Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron  
2022-2023*



## *From the Desk of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary*

*Greetings Sisters and Brothers.*

As we start the New Year 2023, let us look to the new, and what lies ahead in our Chapters. Let's continue to reach out to our members by a phone call, an email or a card. It's nice to hear a familiar voice when the phone rings or when you reach your mailbox and find a greeting card, it puts a smile on someone's face or even yours that someone was thinking of you.



Our Secretaries have continued to do the work in their chapters, with reports, dues cards and the necessary work that needs to be done. The 2023 Annual reports are still due for April and May.

A Secretary and Treasurer's meeting will be held in conjunction with the Gown Sale and PM and PP Association meeting on February 18th at 10 a.m. at Olive Branch Lodge, Freehold, NJ.

The Annual Secretary or Treasurers will be held on **April 23rd, 2023**. A flyer is in the Star Journal for this Annual meeting and luncheon. This luncheon is for anyone who wishes to join us, you don't have to be a Secretary or Treasurer to attend, **ALL ARE WELCOMED**.

The plans are starting to get underway for Grand Session in May 22, 23, and 24, 2023, and as always information will be

coming out shortly. Make your plans now. All flyers will be mailed to the Secretaries and will be posted on the website. Grand Session will be held at Caesar's, Atlantic, NJ.

I continue to look forward to working with each of our Secretaries and Treasurers. I want to thank those who have dedicated years of Service to our Order and continue to do so.

If you need to have something, put on our NJOES website, please email me with this information at [newjersey.oesgc@gmail.com](mailto:newjersey.oesgc@gmail.com).

To Sister Jeannette and Brother Bernie, congratulations as you served during "The Wonderful Worlds of Star" year .

**KINDNESS:** A kind word is like a Spring day! And remember it "Sometimes it takes only one act of kindness and caring to change a persons life".

Let's continue to "Sparkle from within" and "Remember to let the Peacefulness of Snow and the Spirit of Christmas be with you always". ❖

*Love with Happiness,  
Patti L. Rhinesmith, PGM  
Right Worthy Grand Secretary*

## *From the Desk of the Right Worthy Grand Treasurer*

*Dear Sisters and Brothers.*



Wow, I cannot believe how fast time has been flying by. As many of you know, I am not able to travel very much due to job commitments. However, I am available via email and/or text messaging with any questions.

I am still reviewing your annual reports from this past year and still finding some basic errors. I will reach out to you when I am done. Patti and I will be working on the Annual Report form prior to the new one coming out for 2023. Please don't use an old one in your computer. I think this is part of the problem. Also, don't forget to send in your attachments.

I am truly working hard to get all the inner workings down for the Grand Chapter Office. This is a "learn as you go" process. I look forward to greeting all my fellow Treasurers and hope you

will come introduce yourself to me when I am out and in your Chapter or your District.

Our MWGM is truly trying to stress being **KIND**. Let's all try to remember to forgive. Let's reach out our hands and our voices to those who may need a kind word or gentle pat on the back. We may not always know who needs us, but that one kind comment you made today, just might be the relief that Sister or Brother needed to hear. I always taught my Sunday School class (grades 1 and 2) to remember to sow the seeds of love. We may not always see which seed has taken root, but we can be assured that if even one did, then we have done a good job.

Always remember that "**Together with Faith, we can Walk, Side by Side, Hand in Hand and help our Order to Grow!**" ❖

*In Star Friendship,  
Michele Hess, PGM  
Right Worthy Grand Treasurer*





## Right Worthy Grand Conductress

*Dear Sisters and Brothers,*

As I write this article Christmas is just a few days behind us and a New Year has begun, yet it feels like Christmas was weeks ago. Families who gathered to celebrate have returned home and our celebrations are winding down. We are being reminded of the “normalcy” of life returning to us. We have rung in a new year, yet we want the warmth of family and friends gathering, sharing their warmth and love to continue. I hope Santa was good to you and yours, and I hope you were able to slow down, enjoy your families and get some well needed rest during this busy Holiday season. Time is just marching on. As we return to our normal daily routines, we need to reenergize our spirit and get ready for more fun filled Eastern Star events planned for very deserving Sisters and Brothers. Spring is just around the corner, and I am reminded of that with the beautiful Spring like weather we can enjoy today and the remainder of this week. I have thoroughly enjoyed this year serving as your Right Worthy Grand Conductress. This is my favorite station. I have enjoyed traveling this year, seeing our Chapters and members returning to normal, and supporting Sr. Jeannette OUR



Most Worthy Grand Matron and Br. Bernie OUR Most Worthy Grand Patron, and Sr. JoAnne OUR Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron. Bernie, it has been my pleasure working with you this year as we performed our Initiatory work. You and I share a special bond and we have worked well with the Masonic/OES Event in September and justifying those spreadsheets from our Voluntary Donations Earring Project. Thank you for being the kind and dedicated Brother that you are. My best to Sr. Joanne and her special man and their staff of officers as secrets start to unravel and fun filled plans are revealed as we prepare for yet another busy Eastern Star year. I look forward to being part of the Top 3 during the 2023-2024 Star year. Safe travel to all and I look forward to greeting you as we travel around the State. ❖

*In Fraternal Love,  
Sr. Sharon E. Rosequist  
Right Worthy Grand Conductress*

## Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress



*Sisters and Brothers:*

January 2023 . . . and I’m 2 years away from the Grand East . . . if you’ll have me . . . and I sit and wonder, what have I learned, what have I seen and my God, have I done enough? The answer isn’t as clear as it should be. It’s been a whirlwind of 2 years traveling around our beautiful NJ Eastern Star, getting to know new sisters and brothers and reconnecting with some old dear friends . . . family. But the more important question is, have I gotten a chance to hear them, see them and know what is in their hearts and desires for the future of this great organization. I sit in on the Charity Board and Home Board meetings as a guest, ex-officio member. Am I really seeing and hearing where we are headed? I visit chapters in the good times and in the not-so-great times. What does the membership have to say and how do they feel? This corporate board is in a unique and critical po-

sition. We are the ones entrusted to bring our Star into the next chapter of its existence out of a very dark time. We are responsible for guiding us all into an unknown future. Do we know what is out there? Do we know what is in store for us? Only if we come together and listen to all the voices, all the fears and all the hopes of our membership. I believe this wonderful group of sisters and brothers which I have the honor to serve with as your corporate board, is ready and able to meet the challenges. Because of these past 2 years, we are no longer your mother’s Eastern Star . . . Covid changed us. We are your Eastern Star with a little mix of your mother’s traditions and your innovations to help guide us. So, when you see us out and about, take time to have conversations about new ideas and new thoughts. We are here to listen, to move forward and to encourage everyone to play a part in this star . . . maybe it’s your turn. . . . ❖

*In Star Love  
Mary Elaine Guynn  
Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress*



## Right Worthy Grand Trustee

**“The Future’s So Bright.....  
We’ve Gotta Wear Shades!”**



Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year! As we reflect on 2022 it’s been wonderful to see our Star shining bright again. The support for the Chapters and MWGM’s activities and events along with the level of fun and fellowship we are experiencing is a refreshing and exciting sight to see.

As we look ahead to 2023, there is renewed hope for our future. Yet with that there is still work to do for our Chapters to retain and grow our membership. Please continue to support your Chapters and encourage those members who we haven’t seen in a while to come out and get involved again. We miss and would love to see them! We would also love to see new faces at our social and fun events who may enjoy themselves so much they will decide to join our Star!

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our “Pop-Up Gown Boutique” in October at Starlight Chapter. The Boutique combined with the Secretary/Treasure’s Meeting and Past

Matrons/Past Patrons Association Meeting made for a busy day of shopping and was a tremendous success!

Please join us as we take the show on the road for our next “Pop-up Gown Boutique” on Sat, February 8th at Molly Pitcher Chapter from 9am-2pm along with the Secretary/Treasure’s Meeting and Past Matron/Past Patron Association Meeting. Details are available on the NJOES.com website along with the District Facebook pages. We hope to see you there!

I look forward seeing everyone soon and working together with you in this 2023 year. We are making progress and although there will be challenges together we can accomplish anything!!

“Remember you’re the one who can fill the world with sunshine.”—Snow White



*Respectfully,  
Dawn Smith  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee*

## DID YOU KNOW???



This year we have a unique situation with our Elected Line. All of the women in our Elected Line are Majority Rainbow girls and our Most Worthy Grand Patron is a Senior DeMolay. To top that off, all hold the highest honor from their respective youth organization: All the ladies hold the Grand Cross of Color and Brother Bernie holds both the Chevalier Degree and the DeMolay Legion of Honor.



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR **GUESTS**  
THE GRAND CHAPTER

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR OF NEW JERSEY  
152<sup>nd</sup> "Wonderful Worlds of Star"

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MAY 22, 23, 24, 2023

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FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT AND RETURN WITH  
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MAY 1, 2023 TO:

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Patti L. Rhinesmith, PGM, RWGS  
111 FINDERNE AVENUE  
BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807  
(908)725-0222

REGISTRATION FEE OF \$15.00 PAYABLE TO:  
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Title as of May 1, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_  
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Note: Registration Desk hours will be posted

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*The Grand Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star  
of  
New Jersey*

*Cordially invites you to attend the  
One Hundred and Fifty-second*

*“Wonderful Worlds of Star”  
Annual Grand Session*

*May 22, 23, 24, 2023*

*at*

*Caesars Hotel  
Atlantic City, New Jersey*

*Formal Opening,  
Monday, May 22, 2023  
7:30 P.M.*

*Jeannette Wallace  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Bernie Byrne  
Most Worthy Grand Patron*

*Patti L. Rhinesmith, PGM  
Right Worthy Grand Secretary  
111 Finderne Avenue  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807*





Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Order of the Eastern Star,

We look forward to greeting you at the "Wonderful Worlds of Star" 152nd Grand Session. This year Grand Session will again be held at Caesar's Hotel, Atlantic City, NJ.

The price of the rooms will be \$69 base plus taxes for single and double rooms. (Approx. \$109.00 total). Please make all reservations directly with Caesar's at 1-888-516-2215 (8am-2am EST seven days a week) under the name of the Order of Eastern Star 2023 group using code SC05ES3. Reservations can be made at: <https://book.passkey.com/go/sc05es3>

Please understand all reservations should be made by giving the Grand Chapter reservation code. By not using this Code, you will be casting Grand Chapter extra money. Our meeting room for Grand Session is not free. A percentage of these costs are incorporated in our room rate and meal rates. So please register using our Code. Casino Camps may be applied to your room.

Proper attire is required at all times for admittance to Grand Session - Jeans or shorts will not be permitted.

The Hospitality Committee will be pleased to greet you.

Hospitality will be opened on the following dates and times.

- Monday 1 to 4pm
- Tuesday 10 to 12 noon and 1 to 4pm
- Wednesday 10 to 1pm

In Star Love,  
Jeannette Wallace, Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Bernie Byrne, Most Worthy Grand Patron

**TENTATIVE PROGRAM  
TO BE HELD AT CAESAR'S HOTEL**

**Monday Evening - May 22, 2023**  
Meal Plan Dinner 5:00 ~ 7:00 PM

Opening Processional 7:30 PM  
Informal Opening of Grand Session  
Introduction of: Jr. Past Grand Master; Amaranth; Rainbow; DeMolay  
Formal Opening of Grand Session  
Receiving of: Visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons  
Receiving of: Visiting Associate Grand Matrons and Associate Grand Patrons  
Presentation of: Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Jersey  
Receiving of: Visiting Distinguished Guests

**Tuesday - May 23, 2023**  
Business Session 9:00 AM  
Address of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Address of the Most Worthy Grand Patron  
Report of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary  
Report of the Right Worthy Grand Treasurer  
Grand Representatives Luncheon Noon  
Afternoon Session 2:00 PM  
Report of Auditor  
Charity Foundation Annual Meeting and Election of Directors  
Election of Grand Officers of New Jersey  
Necrology Report and Memorial

**Evening Session** 7:00 PM  
Presentation of: Right Worthy Grand Officers  
Worthy Grand Officers  
Worthy District Deputies  
All Grand Representatives  
Report of the Worthy Grand Fraternal Correspondent  
Grand Representative Commissions

**Wednesday - May 24, 2023**

**Business Session**  
Greetings by Caesar's Hotel 9:00 AM  
Election of RW Grand Trustee  
Report of President of the N.J. Eastern Star Home, Inc  
Voting on Recommendations  
RWAGM Rehearsal Immediately following morning session

**Evening Session** 7:30PM  
Membership dinner 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
"Hail and Farewell" Dinner  
Presentations of: Hostesses, Hosts, Hospitality Committee, Pages, Location Committee  
Open Installation of Grand Officers, 2023-2024

\*\* Committee Reports will be given during business sessions at the discretion of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
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Out of State Guests are invited to Tour Landmark Atlantic City Convention Hall and its historic Pipe Organ. Information through Barbara Juniewicz, PGO, Hospitality Chairman.  
Membership "Hail and Farewell" Dinner - Congratulatory Outgoing and Incoming Grand Officers. Information through Linda Thibault, PGO, Dinner Chairman



## 56th ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON OF THE STATE SECRETARIES/TREASURERS CLUB

You are invited to join the State Secretaries/Treasurers Club and attend the Luncheon and Annual Meeting

DATE: Sunday, April 23, 2023  
LOCATION: Olive Branch Lodge, 2 Dutch Lane Rd., Freehold, NJ 07728  
TIME: 3:00 PM meeting with dinner to follow  
PRICE: \$22.00/Person (Dinner only) \$24.00 w/annual dues  
MENU:

Caesar Salad  
Meatloaf Dinner inc. parsley buttered potatoes and vegetable  
Rolls and butter  
Dessert  
Beverages: Water, Coffee & Tea

### PLEASE NOTE ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS ON YOUR RESERVATION

Please make sure your reservation(s) are in by the due date of April 15, 2023  
Make checks payable to **"Lisa Helge"** and mail your reservation to:

Lisa Helge  
67 Texas Road  
Monroe, NJ 08831  
908-256-6142  
Bizer81@aol.com

This invitation is extended to all Past and Present Secretaries and Treasurers to join our club, attend our Annual Meeting and stay for dinner. Hope to see you there!



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter/District: \_\_\_\_\_

Luncheon: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Secy: \_\_\_\_\_ Treas: \_\_\_\_\_





**152<sup>nd</sup> "WONDERFUL WORLDS OF STAR" GRAND SESSION  
MEAL PLAN**

**CAESAR'S, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ**

**MAY 22<sup>ND</sup> – 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**MEAL PLAN OPTIONS**



**OPTION ONE \$150.00**

**BREAKFAST- 2 Mornings- Tuesday & Wednesday**

Assorted Chilled Juices, Oatmeal, Pastries/Donuts/Muffins, Low Fat Granola and Dry Cereals, Fresh Fruit Medley, Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes, Toast, Bacon, Sausage, Coffee/Tea

**Tuesday – Pancakes .....Wednesday – French Toast**

**Dinner – 2 Nights - BUFFET- ENTREES – BUFFET- ENTREES – Monday –** Salad bar, chicken

parmesan, filet mignon topped with blue cheese and peppercorn sauce, roasted potatoes, seasonal vegetable, Dessert/coffee/Tea



**Tuesday –**Salad Bar, Apple cider marinated Pork loin, roasted Turkey with gravy, seasonal vegetables, mashed potatoes, Dessert/Coffee/Tea

**OPTION TWO - \$110.00**

**Dinner – 2 Nights- BUFFET- ENTREES – Monday –** Salad bar, chicken parmesan, filet mignon topped with blue cheese and peppercorn sauce, roasted potatoes, seasonal vegetable, Dessert/coffee/Tea

**Tuesday –**Salad Bar, Apple cider marinated Pork loin, roasted Turkey with gravy, seasonal vegetables, mashed potatoes, Dessert/Coffee/Tea

**OPTION THREE - \$60.00**

**BREAKFAST- 2 Mornings- Tuesday & Wednesday**

Assorted Chilled Juices, Oatmeal, Pastries/Donuts/Muffins, Low Fat Granola and Dry Cereals, Fresh Fruit Medley, Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes, Toast, Bacon, Sausage, Coffee/Tea

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**PLEASE INFORM US OF DIETARY RESTRICTIONS AT TIME OF REGISTERING!**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: GRAND CHAPTER OES OF NJ**

**MAIL WITH BELOW REGISTRATION FORM TO:**

Patti Rhinesmith, RWGS, Grand Chapter Office, 111 Finderne Ave, Bridgewater, NJ 08807

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**DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS: MAY 1, 2023 – ONLY 1 FORM PER PERSON**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Meal Option \_\_\_\_\_

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The Birthday Bunch Grand Representatives of OES of NJ  
Invite you to their

# Birthday Party



Join us for Lunch  
Tuesday, May 23, 2023  
12:00 PM

at NJ OES Grand Session,  
Room-Empire A  
Caesars Atlantic City,  
2100 Pacific Ave, Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Cost: **\$39.<sup>00</sup> per person**

Includes: Soup, Pasta Salad, Chicken & Tuna Salad  
Croissants, Dessert, coffee, tea & some fun and surprises!



**Don't miss out on a really good time!  
Make your reservations Now!  
Seating Limited!**

**Tickets Must be  
purchased in advance.  
No tickets will be sold  
at the Door!**

Seating limited... Make your reservations now!  
Make checks payable to: OES of NJ Birthday Bunch

Send check to: Dawn E. Freney, PGO  
1210 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Dorothy, NJ 08317  
609-513-5348

[OESBirthdayBunch@gmail.com](mailto:OESBirthdayBunch@gmail.com)

RSVP by : **Monday April 24, 2023**



Enclose with reservation

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Will be attending \_\_\_\_\_  
(# of people attending)

Total Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list names of those attending on the back)

**Please notify us of any dietary  
restrictions with this reservation**



Grand Chapter OES of NJ cordially invites you to join  
A celebration of "Star Worlds" 2022-2023  
and "Imagineering" of 2023-2024

at our "Wonderful Worlds of Star" Membership Dinner



Wednesday, May 24, 2023

4:30-6:30 PM

Empire A Room

Caesars Atlantic City 2100 Pacific Ave. Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Cash Bar

Garden Salad, Chicken Francaise, Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables,  
Chocolate Cake

**Cost \$55.00 PP**

Checks should be made payable to **Grand Chapter OES Of NJ**

Mail To: Linda Thibault, PGO

6 Oaks Drive Mays Landing, NJ 08330

**No refunds after the closing date of 4/24/2023**



Enclose with Reservation

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_







# **World of Cash 50/50 Drawing**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023**

**Winning Ticket Will Be Pulled  
At the Membership Dinner at  
Grand Session**

**All District Deputies have Tickets  
And are waiting to sell YOU the  
Winning Ticket!**

**Ticket Cost is \$10.00**

**Don't Miss Out!**



*A tour for our Out-Of-State Guests:*

**The Jim Whelan**

**Boardwalk Hall**



**Pipe Organ**



This is a guided tour of the historic auditorium organ in Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City! It is the largest pipe organ ever constructed, with over 32,000 pipes, and weighing over 150 tons!!! It took 3 years to build, being completed in 1932 at a cost then of a half-million dollars!! Your tour guide, OES Brother Scott Banks, is a member of the Historic Organ Restoration Committee. A Jitney will pick you up at Caesars at 9:30am and return approx. 12:15pm.

*(This tour will take place while NJ Grand Chapter is voting on By-Law changes Legislation).*

While there is no cost for this tour, donations towards its continued restoration would be appreciated.

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*Please complete and return to Barbara Juniewicz, Hospitality Chair.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**Barbara Juniewicz, 19 Poplar Ave, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234**

**For questions, call Barbara: 609-927-8705**





## Grand Representatives' Association of New Jersey January 5, 2023

*Dear Sisters and Brothers,*

It is my Pleasure to bring you Happy New Year's greetings from the Grand Representative Association of New Jersey! It has been a great honor and pleasure, also a privilege . . . to serve as your president this year! I would like to Thank everyone for their amazing support, trust, and confidence in me

It is so hard to Believe that the year is slipping by so quickly! It seems like yesterday that I took the office. But my Grandma always said, "*If your enjoying life, that time slips by very quickly!*" Her words were always so true!



There were some very exciting times in my year. Addressing all the Grand Representatives at our Grand Session was wonderful! Also being presented at the New Jersey Rainbow Grand Session was special. At this time I presented the Rainbow Girls with the prizes for their costumes that they created and wore at their Grand Session. They were so excited and accepted their gifts so humbly! It is amazing to think how many great opportunities these young talented young ladies will have in their future.

The highlight of my year was on October 1, 2022. The GRANJ held our meeting and voted on a By-law change and a presentation was made to the newly appointed Grand Representatives, followed by a delicious luncheon. We entertained the Rainbow Girls with a short dance lesson! They followed my request that they dress in fifties attire. Their outfits were amazing! My friend and I taught them a short fifties swing lesson! They were great students and we all certainly had a good time!

Please save the date for our next meeting. **Saturday May 13, 2023** at the Burlington Masonic Lodge, Burlington, New Jersey. We will have our meeting and Sister Jennifer will be installed as the new President for the upcoming year. 2023-2024. I wish Sister Jennifer and her Officers an enjoyable and successful year. After the meeting we will enjoy a lovely luncheon and some very Special social time.

If you are a current Grand Representative, I Thank you for your service and time. If you have never been a Grand Representative, please say yes and accept a commission when asked to serve. It really is the "best seat in the house." We only meet twice a year, and our dues are only \$5.00 a year! We do not have any fund-raising projects. Our dues help enable us to sponsor the Rainbow Girls costume contest held at their Grand Session in August

To our Sisters and Brothers struggling with illness. Please Get Well soon. To those sisters and brothers that have lost loved ones and family. I am sending my Love and my Deepest Sympathy.

In closing, I would like to again thank you for your support. I have really enjoyed my year as President of GRANJ. I have enjoyed traveling around New Jersey and many other grand jurisdictions. I have served twice as a Grand Representative and have many wonderful memories and friendships to cherish. I look forward to seeing you on my future travels.

In Star Love and Friendship,  
Always Blessings!!!  
Sister Elsie Van Dusen PGO





## Eastern Star Home Board

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Holidays and has done so in good health. As you know it is flu season and there have been very high rates of Covid transmission in Bridgewater Township. We are continuing to suggest that visits be limited and you MUST have a current flu shot to enter the building.

We know our residents enjoy visits and activities, so please keep their health foremost in your minds when planning visits and activities and contact Simone Rudich at 908-722-4140 x3527 before you attend.

Please see the article written by our Administrator Dawn Giakas regarding the awards received by our staff. They are all prestigious awards and well deserved, bringing honor to our staff and our Home.

We are also bringing our Home into modern verbiage. We have always been and will continue to be known as the New Jersey Eastern Star Home, Inc. a name that has always conjured up a place of respect, cleanliness, and compassion, so there should be no concerns that we are losing our identity. In more recent years there has been a negative connotation associated with a nursing home and that we are to be known as the New Jersey Eastern Star Home, Inc, doing business as the New Jersey Eastern Star Rehabilitation and Care.

There are many repairs and upgrades that are either required by law or necessary for the safety of our residents. These are not without significant cost, but we are still operating within budget. The members of the Board of Directors are doing their due diligence to keep things up to date and safe.

### **Fundraisers**

Please keep in mind that with some of the restrictions imposed—the inability to open the Home for Home Day being one factor, we are continuing to think outside the box to help raise funds. Your support for the pop-up gown boutiques and basket auctions have been very successful; the next boutique will be held Feb. 18, 2023 at Molly Pitcher Chapter.

Sister Norma is continuing to run her special Bingo

games, so please support them. We are also running a trip to Mackinac Island for the benefit of the Home. It was extremely successful last summer and repeat performance is scheduled for June 10 through June 17, 2023. We are excited and hoping to be able to have 2 buses from different locations. Flyers are on the website and available at district meetings. Please contact me for more information. These trips are open to the public so please invite your family and friends.

We are also still selling Jackets; a big thank you to Sister Karyn Visscher for doing all the embroidery.

### **Home's 65th Birthday**

Our 65th birthday was celebrated with the Board members and residents and was a great event. The food was outstanding. Kudos to the chef and kitchen staff for making it a day to remember.

### **Rehabilitation Unit**

With our state-of-the-art Rehabilitation Unit, please consider using our facility for yourself or someone you know in need of our services.

### **Bequests**

As well as helping your family, you may want to consider how to benefit one or more charitable organizations. This is an easy gift to make; when you are preparing your will, please think about including our NJ Eastern Star Home.

Please see the Home articles and forms in this issue of our Star Journal for donations: Tree of Life, Refresh and Renew, purchase of jackets, etc. and we thank all for their generosity. We thank all volunteers and admonish you to be cautious when visiting.

Our staff is to be commended for their dedication and support of our residents and they are continually grateful to our members for all they do.

In Star Love,  
Diane Schmolze PGM  
President



## **Eastern Star Sportsware Fundraiser To Benefit The New Jersey Eastern Star Home**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Ladies Fleece Jacket:

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Mens Fleece Jacket:

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

This is a fundraiser for the New Jersey Eastern Star Home and the cost is \$40. Please make checks payable to the New Jersey Eastern Star Home and mail them to Barbara Helfrey at 97 Sherwood Avenue, Hamilton, NJ 08619.





## New Jersey Eastern Star Home



### Renew & Refresh Project

Donations may be made payable to:  
New Jersey Eastern Stat Home, Inc  
Mailed to:  
111 Finderne Ave. Bridgewater, NJ 08807  
Attention: Business Office

The building project that we completed in the Winter of 2020 was a great success! The Unit I, A-wing received a much-needed facelift. We were able to install new flat screen TV's, new head, and foot boards as well as some new paint. Now it is time for us to do the same for Nursing Unit I, B-wing. We would like to continue our color and furniture scheme as we have throughout the rest of the building. We are also going to upgrade the shower rooms to provide better service to our residents. We would greatly appreciate your help with our renew & refresh project.

TV, Mount & Shelf: \$250



Bed Side table: \$200



Dresser: \$724



Head & Foot Board: \$200







**Private Pay & Medicaid beds  
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LONG TERM CARE

**NEW JERSEY  
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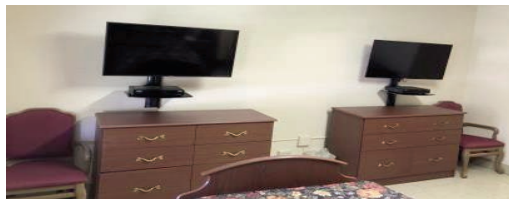
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Complimentary cable  
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And so much more!

**Request a virtual  
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## THE TREE OF LIFE



Leaves and Rocks can be purchased and personalized for the Tree of Life. This is an effective and beautiful way to recognize members, chapters, groups, friends and loved ones. Leaves can be purchased for \$500 and Rocks for \$1,000. To purchase leaves or a rock fill out the form, make check payable to NJ Eastern Star Home, Inc. and mail to NJ Eastern Star Home, 111 Finderne Avenue, Bridgewater, NJ 08807. If you have any questions you can call the NJ Eastern Star Home or ask any Home Board Director.





*NEW JERSEY EASTERN STAR HOME, INC.*

## TREE OF LIFE ROCKS

1. **DONOR INFORMATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT INFORMATION**

Complete only if you wish the Home to send an acknowledgement of your donation.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

3. **ENGRAVING INFORMATION** (See reverse side)

Rock is a brass plate and is mounted on a bronze background. Shapes of rocks will vary slightly.

4. **AUTHORIZATION**

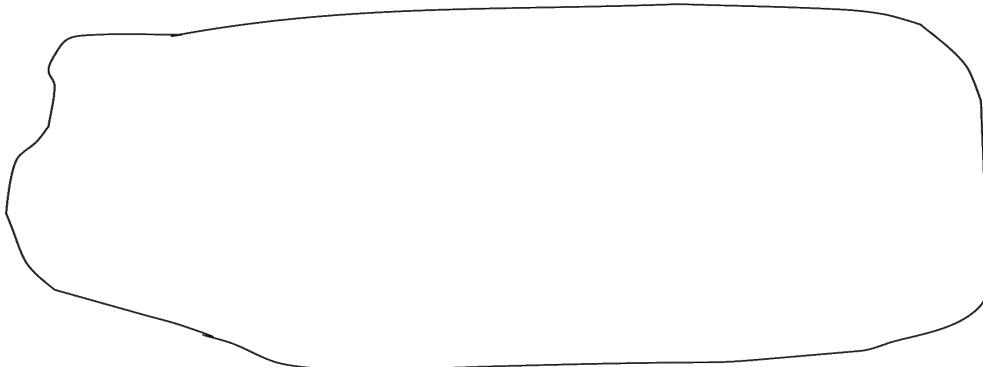
I hereby authorize the New Jersey Eastern Star Home, Inc. to engrave one rock as indicated above and to attach it to their TREE OF LIFE.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your \$1,000.00 check payable to:  
NJ Eastern Star Home  
111 Finderne Avenue  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807 (908-722-4140)

Documents/Tree of Life Rock Order Form 5-2019

PRINT OR TYPE THE **EXACT LETTERING**





**NEW JERSEY EASTERN STAR HOME, INC.**

# TREE OF LIFE LEAVES

## 1. DONOR INFORMATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_ NO# \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_

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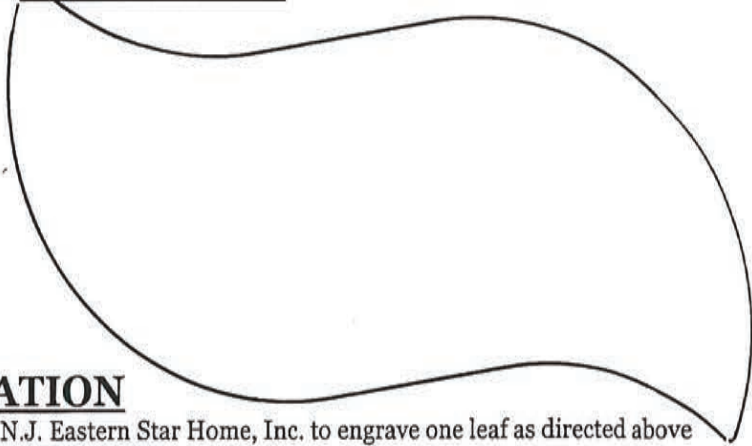
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## 3. ENGRAVING INFORMATION

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PRINT or TYPE the EXACT LETTERING



## 4. AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the N.J. Eastern Star Home, Inc. to engrave one leaf as directed above  
And to attach it to their *TREE OF LIFE*.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your \$500 check payable  
New Jersey Eastern Star Home, Inc.  
111 Finderne Ave.  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807



## Message from Dr. Dawn Giakas New Jersey Eastern Star Home Administrator

Dear Eastern Star Community,

It is always a privilege to provide an update to the membership. I would like to share a summary of the recent awards and accomplishments of NJESH during 2022 as well as an overview of our admissions process. In spite of COVID-19, we have had much to celebrate.

In April, I was honored to receive the Eli Pick Facility Leadership award from the American College of Health Care Administrators. Only 3% of facilities nationwide met the initial selection criteria. This year, fifty-seven administrators in 17 states met all eligibility requirements and were awarded the facility leadership award nationally.

In June, our Director of Nursing, Agustin Guido III, BSN, RN, CDONA, CDP received the prestigious National Nurse Leader of the Year Award from NADONA (National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration) recognizing his outstanding record of clinical and administrative excellence.

Additionally, one of our long-time staff nurses, Ella Zala, LPN, has been recognized with the Excellence in Care Award from Leading Age of NJ and Delaware. She will receive this award in person in January.

In addition to the individual awards above US News and World Report has again recognized NJESH as a Best Nursing Home in both the long-stay and short stay categories. We have also maintained our 5-star rating by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

It is very fulfilling for me and other staff members to be recognized for the quality and service that we provide at the Home. We hope that these awards and accolades will also help Eastern Star members and the general public realize the caliber of our services and attract more referrals and admissions.

Our admissions process is a two-pronged approach. We review the medical information of potential admissions to evaluate their clinical needs. Once it has been established that there is a clinical need, we must ensure that there is also financial coverage.

Long Term Care is referred to as Nursing home, custodial care, post-acute care, or institutional care which are all the same. The term "long-term care" is preferred because there is a negative connotation when people hear the term "nursing home." A person would go to a long-term care facility because they or their loved ones are no longer able to be cared for at home.



To determine if a person meets the long-term care criteria an assessment is completed to establish the level of care needed. Typically, when a person requires assistance of 50% or more in at least 3 Activities of Daily Living (ADL's), they may qualify for long term care placement. The ADL's are bathing, dressing, ambulating, transferring, medicating, and well-being.

We accept Private Pay, Medicare, and Medicaid. Long Term Care is either paid for Privately or by Medicaid if the individual qualifies. Often, people think that Medicare will cover long term care expenses, but Medicare only covers skilled

services, such as in-patient rehab for a finite amount of time if the individual meets certain criteria. A financial application must be completed and reviewed by the facility to determine if a person would pay privately at the daily room and board rate, and when a person would apply for Medicaid.

Medicaid long term care placement requires that an individual has \$2,000 or less in total assets and meets the long-term care criteria. Medicaid does not take the assets that a person has; the individual would be required to spend their assets down for the care they receive in a long-term care facility by paying privately each month. Once the funds are down to approximately \$20,000 - \$30,000 the individual would start the Medicaid application. Once Medicaid is approved, the facility bills Medicaid for the long-term care stay at the facility. Once the facility bills Medicaid, the individual's social security and/or pension checks are turned over to the facility, minus \$50 monthly for personal needs (such as salon services) which is retained by the resident.

Additionally, Medicaid requires a look-back of assets for 5 years or more. The look-back period is used to determine if any assets or property has been turned over or "gifted" to anyone. If so, Medicaid will impose a penalty. One's income level may be over the required Medicaid limit, but the individual can set up a Qualified Income Trust or QIT. The QIT is a bank account that either the social security or pension would be deposited into. Any amount that is over the income level would stay in the account and the rest would be turned over to the facility.

Thank you for your time in reading this update. We hope this information may be helpful to you or someone you know.

*Very Truly Yours,  
Dr. Dawn A. Giakas, DBA, MPH,  
LNHA, CALA, FABC  
Administrator*





# Pop-up Gown Boutique

Saturday, February 18, 2023

9:00am – 2:00pm

Benefitting the NJ Eastern Star Home



## Molly Pitcher Chapter #198

2 Dutch Lane Road  
Freehold, NJ 07728

**Womens Formal Gowns, Tops, Skirts, Shoes & Accessories**

**Mens Tuxedos, Suits, Dress Shirts, Vests, Ties & Shoes**

**Everything on sale for \$5.00**

*Due to limited storage space, it is requested Donations be brought to the lodge building on the morning of the Boutique on Feb 18.*

Formalwear (long) & Black-tie attire **ONLY**. Gently used or worn, current style Adult clothing, shoes & accessories of less than 10 years aged from non-smoking environments.

Please launder clothing in advance of donating. Provide on hangers if possible.

**NO** casual clothing/shoes, short dresses/skirts, sport coats, mens suit jackets/pants without matching piece, outerwear coats/jackets, hosiery, socks, undergarments, gloves, hats, scarves, belts, pocket squares, slippers, boots, OES/Masonic household items, Chapter/Lodge paraphernalia, souvenirs, gift pins, personalized or Chapter/Lodge name identified items.

**Join these events also taking place at Molly Pitcher Chapter on Sat, Feb 18**

**State Secretary & Treasure Meeting 10am - 12noon**

Contact Patti Rhinesmith for details & reservations (201)390-3563, crystalpatti3@aol.com

**Past Matrons & Past Patrons Association Meeting – Luncheon @ 12pm, Meeting @ 1pm – 3pm**

Contact Michele Hess for details and lunch reservations (973)390-1250, hessm902@aol.com



# Virtual BINGO is Back!



PRIZES!!

And it's a



## Pajama Party!

Wear your best (& appropriate) PJ's & Join us on  
**Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM**



Contact Sis. Norma Hines, PGM  
at

[njhines2020@gmail.com](mailto:njhines2020@gmail.com)

LAUGHTER

for your Bingo Card, instructions and Zoom invite

Donations to the  
**NJ Eastern Star Home, Inc.**

Checks can be sent directly to:

Sis. Barbara Helfrey, PGO, Treasurer of the Home Board  
97 Sherwood Avenue, Hamilton, NJ 08619

There will also be available a donation site on Facebook starting in March, where you will be able to donate using PayPal or credit cards



## OKLAHOMA IT IS!

When I was honored with receiving my Grand Representative Commission at Grand Session in May, I had no idea what would lie ahead as one of our Most Worthy Grand Matron Jeannette & Most Worthy Grand Patron Bernie's first appointments as Wandering Stars. This is my first Commission, and I sure was excited to find out what Jurisdiction Jeannette & Bernie would select for me. Grand Session arrived and my Jurisdiction was revealed. Oklahoma it is! I was thrilled to meet my counterpart, Susie Williams, as she was attending our Grand Session and was equally delighted to see Dian Roberson, a fellow Morning Star Chapter #22 member who is a dual member Oklahoma Eastern Star. Grand Session ended and the brainstorming began! As you can imagine, the flurry of emails, text messages and Facebook PM's were fast and furious. I extended an invitation to Cynthia Errickson, Worthy Grand Bearer of the Christian Flag to be my travel companion. Using airline and hotel travel points our trip was booked!

Oklahoma Grand Session was everything I was hoping for and more. Susie and Dian went out of their way and treated Cynthia and me as if we were VIP's. We were introduced to all as their "Sisters from New Jersey" and were immediately welcomed as long-lost Sisters by all OK Eastern Star. It was fascinating to sit in on the Sessions which concentrated on the "business of Star" as well as the joys of meeting Grand Representatives to OK from other jurisdictions, be a part of the celebrations of a successful year of OK Grand Chapter service initiatives and witness the installation of a new Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron.

The Scottish Rite Temple in Guthrie OK where Grand Session is held is incredibly ornate and even houses a Masonic Museum of memorabilia from all branches of our Masonic Family. Did you know it used to be the State Capital until moving to OKC in 1910? Dian and Susie were our personal tour guides and their knowledge was so appreciated.

We left OK with full hearts, many new Sisters and Brothers, adopted by more "Moms" than you could imagine, and the experience of a lifetime. For my first Commission, I feel like I struck gold. What a priceless opportunity that I will treasure forever.

Nancy Rudolph Myers  
Grand Representative of OK in NJ  
Morning Star Chapter #22 District 38  
Tuckerton Chapter #54 District 35



*L to r Susie Williams (my counterpart and Escort to the Worthy Grand Conductress) , me, Cynthia, Dian Roberson (OK Grand Esther and Morning Star #22 sister).*



*"Circling the Wagons in God's Country"*



*WGM Pamala Chesser and WGP Arlan Smith.*





## NJ Eastern Star Home Message

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As one of the newest Board members of our beautiful NJ Eastern Star Home, I have been chosen to be part of the Public Relations Subcommittee. As such, I will be sharing some of the accolades and highlights of our incredible home throughout the year, so that you can become more familiar with it.

That being said, I'd like to start by introducing you to one of the home's incredible nurses. The nursing staff at the Home is bar none, some of the best individuals you will ever meet. Their dedication to the health and welfare of the residents is their top priority. So much so that they are recognized frequently by the leading organizations in their field. One such individual is Nurse Agustin Guido, III, BSN, RN.

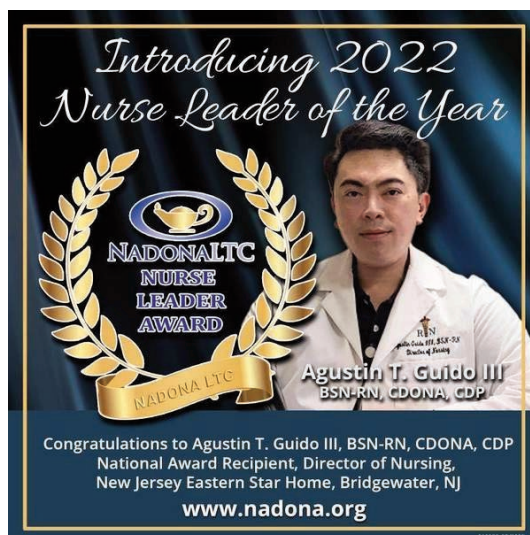
Nurse Guido was recently recognized by the National Organization entitled National Association Directors of Nursing Administration (NADONA) as the 2022 Nurse Leader of the Year. This award is only given to one individual per region. This means that no one else in New Jersey reached this level of recognition. This is the level of care that we are able to provide to the residents of the home.

Please enjoy the below article which was originally published by the Director of the Home, Dr. Dawn Giakas and join in congratulating this incredible Nurse.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica E. Walton, PGO

## NJ Eastern Star Home Director of Nursing Receives National Award

### Agustin Guido III, BSN, RN receives award in New Orleans



**Agustin Guido III, BSN, RN honored with National Nursing Award**  
Photo Credit: Sherrie Dornberger, Executive Director, NADONA  
By DR. DAWN GIAKAS

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## NADONA Announces 2022 Nurse Leader of the Year Recipients

**June 27, 2022 — New Orleans, LA**—The National Association Directors of Nursing Administration (NADONA) is pleased to announce the 2022 winners of the Nurse Leader of the Year Award and Regional Nurse Leader of the Year Awards.

This award is presented to the Nurse Leader of the Year, with awards also presented to nurses in selected regions. The winner of the 2022 National Nurse Leader of the year award is as follows:

### National Nurse Leader of the Year

**AGUSTIN T. GUIDO III, BSN-RN, CDONA, CDP, National Award Recipient, Director of Nursing, New Jersey Eastern Star Home, Bridgewater, NJ**

The NADONA Nurse Leader of the Year is a highly competitive and prestigious award, with the following criteria for nomination being followed:

- Candidate must be a member of NADONA.
- Candidate must be nominated by a health professional colleague such as a facility administrator or attending physician. Self-nomination is not permitted.
- The application process must include a biography of the candidate and letters of recommendation from facility personnel and residents.
- Candidates are selected by an awards committee which is comprised of NADONA/LTC members.

### About NADONA

NADONA has been the leading advocate and educational organization for DONs, ADONs and Nurse Leaders in long-term and post-acute care since 1986. With 32 state chapters, it continues to be the largest organization representing nurses working in long-term and post-acute care settings. NADONA offers a wide array of services to its members, including educational materials, national and state conferences, scholarships, Infection Prevention Certificate of Mastery Program, Antibiotic Stewardship Certificate of Mastery Program; Pathfinder Program, Executive Fellows Leadership Academy, Director of Nursing, Licensed Practical Nurse, Assisted Living, Geriatric Diabetes certification programs, a mentoring program and a quarterly journal, *The Director*. Through its publications and programs, NADONA reaches approximately 20,000 nurses who are employed in long-term care.

Dr. Dawn Glakas, Administrator of the NJ Eastern star Home commented, “NJ Eastern Star Home is fortunate to have Gus as our Director of Nursing He is a skilled leader with the utmost commitment to the residents of the Home. He truly loves Nursing and has taken his skills to the highest levels of his profession.” Gus attended the national NADONA Conference, held in New Orleans, Louisiana, June 25-29th, 2022, where he accepted this prestigious award in front of colleagues and peers.

About NJESH-Founded in 1957, NJESH has a long-standing commitment to providing high quality, dignified care to our patients and residents. Whether short stay or long-term, we offer individualized care with a goal of achieving your highest level of functioning and returning to your previous level of activity. Our 82-bed facility offers elegant and spacious private and semi-private accommodations, a well-equipped therapy gym staffed by skilled therapists, engaging activities, appetizing meals, and a tranquil garden. The facility offers an intimate setting, conducive to recovery and becomes a home away from home. Whether patients require strengthening after a hospital stay or are recovering from a fall, illness, or surgical procedure, NJESH can provide the clinical services needed. We are proud to be a Preferred Provider of Robert Wood Johnson Somerset Hospital. **NJESH has achieved an overall 5-star rating from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services; this is the highest rating that CMS awards and encompasses inspection results, quality of care measures, and staffing data.**

To inquire about our activities program, or admission opportunities and our elegant accommodations, please contact Ms. Shelretha LaSure, Director of Admissions at [slasure@njeasternstarhome.com](mailto:slasure@njeasternstarhome.com) or [\(908\)-722-4140](tel:(908)722-4140).



## New Jersey Eastern Star Home Receives Resident-Centered Donation

*Young philanthropist gives new meaning to the word generosity.*

**Reprinted from: DR. DAWN GIAKAS  
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PJ and Peter Zoesch present donation to Dr. Dawn Giakas at the NJ Eastern Star Home. Photo Credit: Peter Zoesch

On October 10, 2022, a special guest attended the morning clinical meeting held daily at the New Jersey Eastern Star Home (NJESH). PJ Zoesch, 12-year-old son of Maintenance and Security Director Peter Zoesch, made a formal presentation to the Leadership group. PJ and his dad, Peter, purchased an older facility vehicle from NJESH that was being retired from use. They subsequently restored the vehicle, as a father/son project, and sold the vehicle. PJ and Peter took it one step further and decided to donate a large portion of the proceeds of the vehicle

About the New Jersey Eastern Star Home: The New Jersey Eastern Star Home was founded in 1957. NJESH has a long-standing commitment to providing high quality, dignified care to their patients and residents. Whether short stay or long-term, we offer individualized care with a goal of achieving your highest level of functioning and returning to your previous level of activity. Their 82-bed facility offers elegant and spacious private and semi-private accommodations, a well-equipped therapy gym staffed by skilled therapists, engaging activities, appetizing meals, and a tranquil garden. The facility offers an intimate setting, conducive to recovery and becomes a home away from home. Whether patients require strengthening after a hospital stay or are recovering from a fall, illness, or surgical procedure, NJESH can provide the clinical services needed. They are proud to be a Preferred Provider of Robert Wood Johnson Somerset Hospital. NJESH has achieved an overall 5-Star rating from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services; this is the highest rating that CMS awards and encompasses inspection results, quality of care measures, and staffing data. We have also been recognized by U.S. News and World report as a High Performing Facility with a 5/5 Rating in their Best Nursing Homes Ratings. We are delighted to share these accomplishments with members of the community and prospective patients and residents, who are making care decisions.

sale back to the NJ Eastern Star Home, directed specifically to a resident event/activity to be planned, with their input.

“Such generosity and concern for others is a real virtue. PJ sets an example not only for young people, but for all of us,” said Dr. Dawn Giakas, Administrator of the NJ Eastern Star Home. PJ already has quite a track record of giving back to the community. He has been a frequent visitor to the Home during the Holidays where he has sponsored a traveling gift cart for residents to choose gifts of their choice during the Christmas season.

To inquire about admission opportunities, please contact: Shelretha LaSure, Director of Admissions at [slasure@njestarhome.com](mailto:slasure@njestarhome.com) or by phone at (908)-722-4140 extension 3581.

## UNITY DAY, July 17, 2022



To be considered for the Rainbow and DeMolay Liaisons for Grand Chapter is really great. To be asked is an HONOR!! With that being said, we set forth on an adventure! Get UNITY DAY on the calendar of four Masonic Bodies... Grand Lodge F & AM, Grand Chapter, Grand Assembly, IORG and New Jersey DeMolay International. The date was set!! July 17, 2022. Now, find a place. Fortunately, the Tall Cedars Picnic Grove was available. Now everyone is going to want something to eat. Enter the catering wizardry of Rhedaa Bowman of Mount Holly Chapter #147. Grand Assembly got us our desserts. Cathy Fusaro of Bordentown Chapter donated the water and much needed ice! Herman Yu from Delaware Valley Assembly, Karen Hancock and Heather Shoppas our Bev-Maq folks helped stuff the bags in the Kitchen. Folks are going to need something to do that's fun! Again, we needed the wizardry

help of some folks like Heather and Kevin Shoppas and Tammy Wilkie of Beverly Maqueda Chapter. Dawn Smith of Fairview Chapter gave us many good suggestions for games. And last but by no means least, we had our Shriner Clown Bruce Zielinski making balloon creations. Of course, no Unity Day would be complete without WATER BALLOONS!!! We had no idea of how many folks to expect. We figured about 75. Nope!! We had 147 reservations. We're pretty sure everyone had a good time. If you didn't get a chance to go, try it out next time. You won't be disappointed. It's lots of fun chit-chatting with our Fraternal Sisters and Brothers . . . no matter their age!!

Bob & Elaine Parsons,  
Rainbow-DeMolay Liaisons 2022-2023





## Charity Foundation President's Message

**HAPPY NEW YEAR Sisters and Brothers!!**

As we start 2023, let us give thought to how we can serve our beautiful Order. How about being active with your Charity Foundation? The Charity Foundation meets the first Wednesday of every month except in August. We are meeting remotely, so there is no need to dress up or to travel very far to attend. You all are welcome to attend the meetings. Just go to the [njoes.com](http://njoes.com) website and send a request to the Secretary for an invite to the next meeting.

The Charity Foundation awards scholarships every year and offers educational loans. There are 2 regular scholarships, a nursing/allied health scholarship and a scholarship for Rainbow Girls. Contact Sister Dale Van Houten for the scholarship applications. We also have a program of Life Skills grants for members that need to update their skill set to improve their career prospects. We can always use volunteers to assist in these programs.

We are working on improving our electronic footprint. Our electronic communications committee is always look-

ing for some excellent ideas. Please reach out to one of the directors if you want to assist with this.

Every member of the Order is a member of the Charity Foundation. The success of the Foundation is thus a measure of the success of the Order. Come and be a part of the meetings. And if you enjoy the company of the wonderful members of the Board, then fill out a petition to become a director. Every year at Grand Session we elect 4 Directors who serve a three year term. This year there are the usual 4 be a Director is on the Charity Foundation site on [NJOES.com](http://NJOES.com). Come and be a part of the heart of the charitable works of the Order. Come and join the Charity Foundation!!

Fraternally yours,  
Joseph Herx, GO  
President, Eastern Star Charity Foundation

## Haddonfield Chapter #140 Special Evening Submitted by Sr. Pam De Lisa, WM



On Thursday, December 1, 2022, Haddonfield Chapter #140, in the 37th District, welcomed Jr Past Grand Patron, Bruce Zielinski, as our Fraternal Dad. Haddonfield Chapter lost our Fraternal Dad, RW Wilfred R. Parsels, JR PGC, called to Chapter On High, November 29, 2020. This December 1 was Haddonfield's Honor Night, so our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Jeannette Wallace, our Most Worthy Grand Patron Bernie Byrne, and our Right Worthy Associate Matron Joanne Byrne, plus Past Worthy Grand Matron Norma Hines, and Past Worthy Grand Patron Danny Cooper were in attendance to witness and join in the joyous congratulations. What a huge honor it is to have such a champion as our Fraternal Parent. We look forward to Brother Bruce Zielinski's guidance and happy impact for our Chapter's future. The Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, and our Fraternal Mom, Joanne Parsels, PGM look forward to many nights with our Fraternal Dad.

Also, our Sister Karen Sorbello received her 60-year pin from our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Jeannette Wallace, and our Most Worthy Grand Patron Bernie Byrne. Karen was pinned by her daughter, Paula Ramsey, who is also a Haddonfield Chapter Sister, and the pin was originally Karen's mother's, who was a long-time member of Eastern Star.





**Mitchell, South Dakota**

**After visiting Mt. Rushmore and various other sites in South Dakota and Wyoming we headed back to my childhood girlfriend's home in Wisconsin. We had an overnight stop in Mitchell, South Dakota to see the Corn Palace and a PreHistoric Indian village. There my counterpart, Carol Milander, Grand Representative of New Jersey in Nebraska and her husband Jon met us. We visited The Corn Palace, where Jon's Shrine was depicted on a panel as well as a Shrine clown. We had dinner together and a wonderful reunion visit. It was great to see them. We have a lasting friendship. Thank you, Sister Diana, PGM and Brother Emil, PGP for this appointment.**



Submitted by Linda M. Penin, PGO





*Awesome  
Music!*

*Themed Baskets  
of All Kinds!*

OES of NJ  
**Spring Fling  
Basket Auction!**

*50/50  
Drawing*

**Saturday, April 1, 2023**

*Fun!*

**Masonic Fellowship Center  
1114 Oxmead Road  
Burlington Township, NJ 08016**

**Time: 6:00pm - 11:00pm**

**Cost: \$25.00  
Sandwiches; Desserts; Soda, Water**

**Basket Tickets: \$10/sheet**

**For Tickets Send Checks to:**

**Karyn Visscher, GO  
18 Park Way  
Morris Plains NJ 07950**

**Make checks to:  
Grand Chapter Voluntary Donations  
("Spring Fling" in the Memo Line)**





## DeMolay Union Chapter Submitted by Diana D. Affsa, PGM Advisor for Union Chapter DeMolay



Union Chapter DeMolay welcomed the Order of the Eastern Star to their Nov. 2, 2022 meeting. At which time, the Chapter initiated a new member as well as hosting a special presentation honoring Veteran members of the OES.

Brother Bernie Byrne, MWGP, a senior DeMolay participated in the initiation ceremony, in addition to Bill Sardone, Past Grand Master of Masons of the state of New York, and also Past Grand Master of DeMolay International.

After the initiation Brother Bill Sardone invested upon Sister Carole Enterkine, and Sister Alice Carter-Mead, the DeMolay Patriot Service Medal. DeMolay bases its vision, mission, and purpose on 7 Cardinal Virtues, of which Patriotism is the 7th. The purpose of the medal is to continue to show DeMolays' support of patriotic service, throughout the world by visibly uniting the ties between service to country and service to DeMolay.

For the very first time, this Patriotism Award was presented to 2 female veterans. Sister Carole served in the US Air Force and Sister Alice served in the US Army. However, this is not the first time the OES was honored by this award. Brother Emil Affsa, PGP received the first award in New Jersey several years ago. Brother Emil served in the US Army, retiring at the rank of Major.

Union Chapter is proud to be able to honor our OES veterans.





## Haddonfield #140 Homecoming

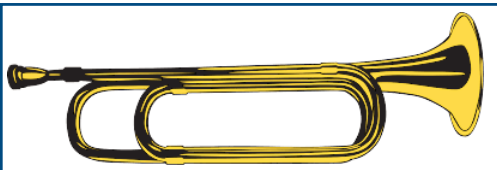


On Thursday evening, June 2, 2022, Haddonfield #140 celebrated the Homecoming of the Jr Past Grand Patron, Bruce Zielinski, and the Receiving of the Worthy Grand Private Secretary, Kathleen Zielinski. Our Chapter rolled out the red carpet for this Grand Visitation. In attendance to pay tribute to Bruce and Kathy Zielinski along with Haddonfield members were Jeannette Wallace, MWGM, Bernie Bern, MWGP, Joanne Bern, RWAGM, many Grand Officers, and several officers and members from other Chapters. It was a fun and festive evening, and we all enjoyed the speeches and kind words shared by our Grand Officers. Brother Bruce received a lovely jeweled dragon as a gift from Haddonfield and Sister Kathy was presented a Lenox Stargazer Lily figurine, a 'nod' to our MWGM's theme, 'A World of Stars. Our banquet hall was brightly decorated and delicious sandwiches and dessert were served after the meeting. This combined Homecoming and Receiving meeting was one for our Chapter history book! We thank all of those who took the time to attend and share this special evening with us. It certainly has been a thrill for our Chapter to share our Brother Bruce Zielinski, PGP, with all chapters throughout the state of NJ this past year. And we know that Sister Kathy Zielinski, GO will put a lot of thought and hard work into her year ahead as Private Secretary to our MWGM Jeannette Wallace!

Pamela L. De Lisa, Worthy Matron  
Seam M. Clark, Worthy Patron

## Response From a 50-Year Member

### WOW! Journal is Read



*Bro. Robert Frederick, PP shared a copy of the Star Journal with a friend, who is the Assistant State Director NJ for an organization called Bugles Across America. The organization supplies live taps for military honors at funerals and other occasions. You can visit [www.buglesarossameric.org](http://www.buglesarossameric.org).*

#### THE STORY OF TAPS

*Of all the military bugle calls, none is so easily organized or more render emotion than the call Tapes. The melody is both eloquent and haunting and the history of its origin is interesting and somewhat clouded in controversy.*

*Taps began as a revision to the original for Extinguished Lights (Lights Out) this a bugle call that was used as the final call of the day and as the name implies, it was a signal to extinguish all fires and lights. Up until the Civil War; the infantry call for Extinguished Lights was the one set down in Silas Casey's (1801-1882) Tactics, which has been borrowed from the French. The music for taps was adapted by Union General Daniel Butterfield for his brigade in July 1862.*

*As the story goes, General Butterfield was not pleased with the call for Extinguished Lights, feeling that the call was too formal to signal the day's end, and with the help of the brigade bugler; Oliver Wilcox Norton, wrote Taps to honor his men while in camp at Harrisons Landing, Virginia, following the Seven Days battle. These battles took place during the Peninsula Campaign of 1862. The new call sounded that night in July, 1862, soon spread to other units of the Union Army and was reportedly also used by the Confederates. Taps was made an official bugle call after the war.*

*Why the name Taps? The most likely explanation is that the name was borrowed from a drummer's beat. The beating of a bedtime roll-call called Tattoo by the drum corps would be followed by the Drummer of the Guard beating three distinct drum taps at four count intervals for the military evolution Extinguish Lights. Following the call, three single drum strokes were beat at four count intervals. This was known as the "Drum Taps" or in common usage the soldiers "The Taps" or "Taps."*

*It is not clear how or why Taps became associated with funerals. However, its earliest official reference for use at military funeral ceremonies is found in U. S. Army Infantry Drill Regulations for 1891.*

## WOW FANCY STOCKINGS



Medford Chapter held their annual Christmas potluck dinner before their regular meeting on December 21. We feasted on delicious turkey and gravy with a variety of side dishes including creamed onions, mashed potatoes, a potato casserole, vegetables, cranberry relish, and cranberry jello. A Christmas Sock contest took place after the meeting. As you can see by the pictures, there was quite a variety of socks to choose winners from, and prizes were given out for the best socks. Although they aren't pictured, 3 Brothers participated as well, and one of them received a prize, too. We also played Christmas Bingo and enjoyed tasty desserts as well as each other's friendship and laughter.





## Past Matron Club Gloria Chapter #159

Submitted By Dale Van Houten, President, 2022-2024



Featured in the photo are front left to right: Sister Carol Orner, Sister MaryLee Batesko, Sister Ginny Kindle, Sister Dale Van Houten, Sister Marie Clonan, Sister Joan Richards, (back row left to right) Sister Dawn Betts, Sister Barbara Wentzien, Sister Audra Lamirata, Sister Stacy Osherhoski, (to be elected Worthy Matron) Sister Adair Ruane, and Sister Cathy Fusaro.



On March 30, 2022, Gloria Chapter #159 held its Past Matrons Club meeting at the home of Sister Dale Van Houten, President. We meet on every 5th Wednesday of the month. There was a short business meeting followed by good food and fellowship. We collect \$5.00 per year for dues. We currently have 20 active members. There were 12 past matrons in attendance.

We also invite our, to- be- elected, Worthy Matron to our last meeting before Installation.

We also had a very nice surprise visit from our Sister Amanda Jensen who married in November 2021. She has since moved to Washington State with her husband Tim. Tim is in the Navy. She is pregnant with their first child. She was accompanied by her Sister, sister Breanna Betts, Mom, sister Dawn Betts and Nanny, sister Carol Orner.

Our next meeting will be held on the 29th of June at Sister MaryLee Batesko's home. We will have a business meeting, then immediately following, we will be making cards to be brought to our OES Home.

I would like to share with you the origin of the Gloria Chapter # 159 Past Matrons Club.

On May 25th, 1965 (15) Past Matrons of Gloria Chapter # 159 met at the home of Maude Voigt and organized a Past Matrons Club.

Officers were elected: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Treasurer was also Sunshine.

The dues were \$1.00 per year. It was decided to hold the meetings on the 5th Wednesday of the month. There were 4 hostesses at each meeting to provide refreshments and defray expenses.

We have all minutes from the Secretaries since May 25, 1965. Almost 57 years. Some things have changed and some have remained the same. But one thing for sure is that this Club is made up of some very dedicated woman. We enjoy our Gloria Chapter #159 and our Eastern Star and are thankful for the Past Matrons who have come before us and we hope to keep our traditions alive for the Matrons to come.

A Special thank you to our Secretary, Sister Adair Ruane who selflessly combed through the past minutes to send me the information of the past history of our Gloria Chapter # 159 Past Matrons Club.

Our officers this year are as follows: Dale Van Houten, President, Emma Snook, Vice President, Adair Ruane, Secretary, Joan Richards, Treasurer, Barbara Wentzien, Sunshine. A Chaplain is appointed at the meeting to give the prayer for the next meeting. Our President and Vice President holds that position for 2 consecutive years.



### Caps (Chapters Assisting Premies and People, 2022-2023)



The members of the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star in New Jersey have been extremely busy this past year knitting and crocheting hundreds of caps and blankets for hospitals, shelters, cancer patients, etc., throughout the state.

Each District contributed to this charitable project. We received many compliments from the various hospitals that received our donations. In fact, one hospital states that the Eastern Star caps are the “best made caps” and are asked for all the time. If you know an organization that could use our donations, please let your District Chairperson know. We try to donate the items within each District.

I would like to thank each of the District Chairpersons for their support throughout the year:

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| District 31 – Janet Wells      | District 32 – Joan Davis        |
| District 33 – Denise McCarthy  | District 34 – Jeanne Gionfriddo |
| District 35 – Jessica Walton   | District 36 – Donna Leavitt     |
| District 37 – Joan Smith       | District 38 – Tammy Wilkie      |
| District 39 – Nicole Dickerson |                                 |

Without their support these projects would not be successful.

To date over 1,000 baby caps have been delivered to various hospitals throughout New Jersey since June 1st. Donations of blankets, scarves, etc., have been donated to nursing homes, hospice care and even animal shelters. Several blankets and hats have been delivered to the Shriner’s Hospital in Philadelphia.

Many people have stated that they cannot knit or crochet – but would like to do something to help the CAPS program. Many of the individuals who knit or crochet could use a donation of yarn to work on their projects. If you are willing to donate yarn please contact one of the District Chairpersons, they will be happy to share your donation with their members.

We appreciate the support that we have received from all the Chapters in New Jersey. It is our pleasure to provide these needed items to the various charitable organizations.

Fraternally,  
Roberta Russell, CAPS Chairperson

**Stay Healthy and Stay Safe!!!!!!!!!!  
Your Family In Star Love**





# District 37 Visit to Vineland Veterans Home November 10, 2022

I am serving this year as chairman for District 37 Veterans project. We obtained a wish list of items needed at the Vineland Veterans Home for their residents and requested support from our chapters. We were invited to visit and provide a shopping afternoon for the residents. I was accompanied by a few of our members and we were joined by our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jeannette Wallace. We had a delightful time as the residents joined us in the auditorium for a visit and chance to choose something they wanted from our shopping event.

There are approximately 275 residents at the home. District 37 and friends helped to load down our vehicle with over 300 much needed items that day!

I thank everyone who participated in pulling this event together. Our District 37 chapters provided monetary assistance or shopped on their own and supported our efforts. It was an honor for me to coordinate this get together and share the afternoon with our veterans in the Vineland Home.

Thank you so very much for your awesome donations. We had such a variety of clothing, toiletry items, puzzles, word search books, games, socks, room decorations, snacks and neck pillows. Each of them left with a few items they had the opportunity to choose. We found that one of the most popular items was the 300 piece puzzles. They went quickly!

The best part of our visit was getting to visit with many of the men and women who have served our country. We were warmly greeted by the Residents and Staff.

We continue to accept donations and plan to return for another visit.

At the 37th District meeting scheduled for March 4, 2023, we will be drawing a winner for our Ninja Foodi 5 in 1 indoor grill. 100% of the proceeds will be designated to the Activities Department at the Vineland Veterans Home.

## Visiting with Residents and Staff



*MWGM, Sister Jeannette Wallace,  
Chairperson, Dan Brown, PGO  
Sister Susanne Wells, PGM  
Sister Judy Brown, PGO*

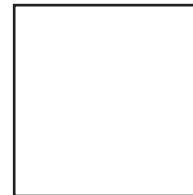


**Raffle Tickets are 3 for \$5.00 or 7 for \$10.00.  
Dan Brown  
1-609-744-6610**



## **Important Information for Submissions:**

Digital photos need to be high resolution. (If not, they will be used in a limited fashion.)  
Articles need to be submitted in Microsoft Word.



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## **The New Jersey Eastern Star Home**

